ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY SERVICES

Adult Education and Literacy Services is an integral part of the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning providing instruction in basic academic skills, workforce preparation, English language acquisition, and management of high school diploma options for adult residents of Maryland.

The Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning creatively and effectively coordinates job seeker services and training, business services, adult learning programs, and labor market information to ensure that businesses have skilled workers and job seekers have access to employment and training resources and services.

I am ready to explore these options and earn my Maryland High School Diploma!

NATIONAL EXTERNAL DIPLOMA PROGRAM (NEDP®)

To find an NEDP® location in your area visit: *labor.maryland.gov/gedmd/nedp.shtml*

GED® TESTING

To register for the GED® test, visit *GED.com*
For a complete list of GED® preparation programs in your area: *labor.maryland.gov/gedmd/programs.shtml*

ADULT HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

For more information about the Adult High School Program visit: *labor.maryland.gov/gedmd/diploma.shtml*

for program funding details in compliance with the Stevens Amendment, scan the QR code on your mobile device.

For more information about the diploma options.

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Maryland Adult Education
High School Diploma Options

Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning

National External Diploma Program® (NEDP)

What is NEDP®?
- Competency-based assessment
- Evaluates adults' high school level skills
- Not based on completion of subject tests (eligibility tests required)
- Accommodations available

Am I Eligible?
- 18 years old+
- No high school diploma
- Maryland resident/MVA ID
- Achieve cut scores in Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems (CASAS) reading, math, and writing

What is Involved?
- No classes
- Work independently on computer and an Assessor to complete assignments
- Demonstrate mastery of academic and workplace skills

How Long Does It Take?
- Completion time varies.

Will I Get a High School Diploma?
- Yes – a Maryland High School Diploma

How Much Does It Cost?
- Check with a local NEDP® provider in your area.*

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GED® Testing

What is GED® Testing?
- Four modules that evaluate adult skills in Reading Language Arts (RLA), Math, Science, and Social Studies demonstrating high school equivalency
- Accommodations available
- Offered in English and Spanish (RLA must be taken in English)

Am I Eligible?
- 18 years old+
- No high school diploma
- Officially withdrawn from K-12 school system if under 19
- Maryland resident/MVA ID

Where Can I take the Test?
- *Official GED® Test Center:* Complete test in person at an approved test center.
- *Online Proctored Test:* Complete test online, at home. For Online Proctored test eligibility and requirements, visit *ged.com/take-the-ged-test-online/*

How Long Does It Take?
- Preparation depends on level of high school competence in four content areas
- GED Ready® Official Practice Tests predicts readiness
- GED® tests can be scheduled online at any time

Will I Get a High School Diploma?
- Yes – a Maryland High School Diploma

How Much Does It Cost?
Official GED® Test Center (in person)
- For each subject test: $11.25 – 1st attempt and $10 – 2nd and 3rd retest

Online Proctored Test
- For each subject test: $17.25 – 1st attempt and $36 – each retest

For the full GED testing fee schedule, visit *labor.maryland.gov/gedmd/gedcbttaker.shtml*

Where Can I Get Help to Prepare for the GED® Test?
- Visit *labor.maryland.gov/gedmd/* to find preparation classes

Adult High School Program**

What is Adult High School Program?
- Pathway for adults to earn high school credit
- Potentially earn post-secondary education credits and industry-recognized certification
- Must meet Maryland high school graduation requirements
- Accommodations available

Am I Eligible?
- 21 years old+
- No high school diploma
- Maryland resident

What is Involved?
- High School subjects include: Math, English, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts, Physical & Health Education, and Technology Education
- May receive credit based on review of official high school transcript

How Long Does it Take?
- Varies depending on course of instruction needed to complete the Maryland high school graduation requirements

Will I Get a HS Diploma?
- Yes – a Maryland High School Diploma

How Much Does It Cost?
- Contact the school to determine if any fees apply.**

**This program is in conjunction with the Maryland State Department of Education